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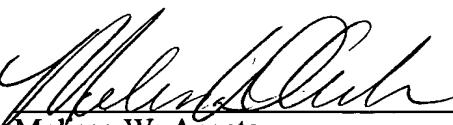
Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby submit for filing the following in connection with the above-referenced application:

1. CPA – Continued Prosecution Application Request Transmittal
2. 5-month Request for Extension of Time
3. Fee Transmittal
4. Return Postcard

As this is being filed on February 6, 2001, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees and/or credits by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application to Account No. 06-2375 under the Order No. 09306611.

Respectfully submitted,


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